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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

In the Matter of the )  
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Section 63.71 Application of MCI, Inc. )  
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For Authority Pursuant to )  
Section 214 of the Communications )  
Act of 1934, as amended, to )  
Discontinue the Provision of )  
MCI Long-Distance Direct Dial and )  
Calling Card Voice Services in Guam )

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CPD File No. 04-155

**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

MCI, Inc. ("MCI") hereby requests authority pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 C.F.R. §214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, to discontinue, effective on or about May 31, 2004, the provision of long-distance direct dial and calling card voice services that are currently offered via MCI's voice switch in Guam to business and residential customers in Guam.

Currently, MCI provides long-distance direct dial and calling card voice services, either on a stand-alone basis, or combined with Internet services, to approximately 5,700 residential and business customers in Guam. MCI provides stand-alone data and Internet services to 13 customers in Guam. This planned discontinuance will affect MCI's provision of long-distance direct dial and calling card voice services alone to customers in Guam and does not affect the delivery of MCI Internet or data services to customers in Guam in any way. MCI provides no local voice services in Guam. With respect to the

services MCI is seeking to discontinue, MCI is considered a non-dominant competitive local interexchange carrier.

MCI's sole voice switch on Guam is nearing the end of its operational life cycle. Following careful consideration and a thorough business and operational review, MCI has decided not to replace this switch. MCI therefore requests authority to discontinue services offered through its Guam voice switch in order to avoid the costs associated with replacing this switch. Substitute services are available from at least five other long-distance providers at competitive rates and under reasonable terms and conditions. Thus, the public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by this planned discontinuance.

Coincident with the filing of this application, MCI has notified its long-distance direct dial and calling card voice services customers of its intent to discontinue service, the text of which is attached. In addition, MCI has notified its Internet and data customers that their services are not being affected by this action, to avoid any possible confusion. In these notification letters, MCI has provided its long-distance direct dial and calling card voice services customers with a toll-free customer assistance number for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may arise during the withdrawal transition period. Affected customers will be able to select a new service provider of their own preference.

A copy of this application has been submitted to the Secretary of Defense, the Guam Public Utility Commission, the Governor of Guam, and Guam Telephone Authority.

In support of this Application, MCI provides the following information as required under section 63.71(a):

1. Name and Address of Carrier:

MCI, Inc.  
22001 Loudoun County Parkway  
Ashburn, Virginia 20147

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:

May 31, 2004

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:

Guam

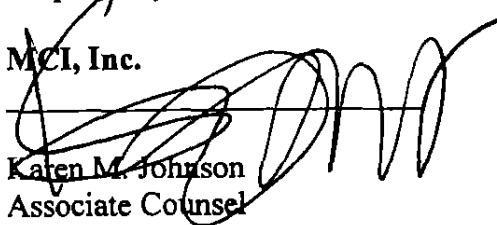
4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected:

MCI Long-Distance Direct Dial and Calling Card Voice Services.

For the foregoing reasons, MCI, Inc. respectfully requests, pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214 and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, that the Commission approve this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

MCI, Inc.



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Dated: April 16, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Michelle D. Lopez, hereby certify that on April 16, 2004, copies of this SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION were filed via ECFS and sent via United States first-class mail, postage prepaid to the following:

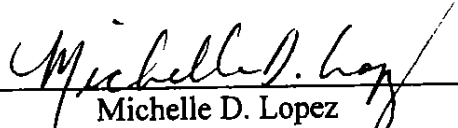
Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
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Federal Communications Commission  
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Secretary of Defense  
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Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

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April 12, 2004

DEPARTMENT OF PHSS-BMS  
P O BOX 2816  
HAGATNA GU 96932

Dear DEPARTMENT OF PHSS-BMS:

It is with sincere regret that we must inform you that MCI is planning to decommission its only voice switch on Guam and exit the voice services market in Guam. This letter is to notify you that your MCI long distance direct dial and Guam Card services will be terminated effective May 31, 2004.

Once this service has been decommissioned, any existing agreement(s) you may have with MCI for this service will also terminate. You will have no further obligation under this agreement except to pay for services received prior to termination. Please note that this action will not impact your existing *local* voice service, nor will it affect your ability to *receive* local or long distance calls.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within (fifteen) 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554, referencing the Section 63.71 Application of MCI International, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

In order to avoid interruption of your long distance service, it will be necessary for you to find another service provider prior to May 31, 2004.

In the meantime, should you have any questions pertaining to your current MCI service, please call 1-888-321-4715 and we will be happy to assist you.

Again, it has been our pleasure to serve you. Thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Sauer  
Senior Vice President, International Relations  
MCI International



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April 12, 2004

AGUON JOHN F  
P O BOX 326753  
HAGATNA GU 96932

Dear AGUON JOHN F:

It is with sincere regret that we must inform you that MCI is planning to decommission its only voice switch on Guam and exit the voice services market in Guam. This letter is to notify you that your MCI long distance direct dial and Guam Card services will be terminated effective May 31, 2004.

Once this service has been decommissioned, any existing agreement(s) you may have with MCI for this service will also terminate. You will have no further obligation under this agreement except to pay for services received prior to termination. Please note that this action will not impact your existing *local* voice service, nor will it affect your ability to *receive* local or long distance calls.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within (fifteen) 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554, referencing the Section 63.71 Application of MCI International, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

**In order to avoid interruption of your long distance service,** it will be necessary for you to find another service provider prior to May 31, 2004.

In the meantime, should you have any questions pertaining to your current MCI service, please call 1-888-321-4715 and we will be happy to assist you.

Again, it has been our pleasure to serve you. Thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

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March 08, 2004

Mr. Gerald Delgado  
Sanford Technology  
Suite 200  
355 S Marine Drive  
Tamuning, GU 96913

Dear Mr. Delgado,

It is with sincere regret that we must inform you that MCI is planning to decommission its only voice switch on Guam and exit the voice services market in Guam. This letter is to notify you that any voice service including MCI Long Distance and Guam Card services will be terminated effective May 31, 2004.

Once this service has been decommissioned, any existing agreement(s) you may have with MCI for voice service will also terminate. You will have no further obligation under this agreement except to pay for services received prior to termination.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within (fifteen) 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554, referencing the Section 63.71 Application of MCI International, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

**In order to avoid interruption of your voice traffic, it will be necessary for you to find another voice service provider prior to this termination date.**

Please note that any other services you may have with MCI, including data and IP services, will not be affected. Therefore this planned action will have no impact, nor will it create any interruption with your current MCI data and/or IP service.

Guam is still an important part of MCI's overall global operational and business strategy, and we plan to continue to provide world-class data and IP services in this market. You remain an important customer to MCI. Your account representative will contact you to discuss this issue and to answer any questions that you might have.

It is our pleasure to serve you, and we appreciate your continued business.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Sauer  
Senior Vice President, International Relations  
MCI International



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March 08, 2004

Mr. Mike Hammel  
Carlsmith Ball LLP  
1001 Bishop Street  
Pacific Tower, Suite 2200  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Hammel,

This courtesy letter is just to inform you about a planned change in MCI's voice services offering on Guam. Effective May 31, 2004, MCI is planning to decommission its only voice switch on Guam and exit the Guam voice services market.

MCI provides your data and/or IP services, and not your voice services. Therefore this planned action will have no impact, nor will it create any interruption with your current MCI service. Guam is still an important part of MCI's overall global operational and business strategy, and we plan to continue to provide world-class data and IP services in this market.

Again, this letter is being provided simply to avoid any possible confusion that could arise over this planned voice switch decommissioning.

In the meantime, should you have any issues or questions pertaining to your current MCI service, please call 1-888-321-4715 and we will be happy to assist you.

It is our pleasure to serve you, and we appreciate your continued business.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Sauer  
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